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## POULTRY AND OTHER LIVESTOCK

Total value of production from eggs was \$238.4 million in 2002, down 8 percent from a year earlier. The average number of layers at 22.4 million was 2 percent below 2001. The average rate of lay was up 2 percent to 266 eggs per layer, resulting in a 1 percent decrease in total egg production during 2002. The average price received by producers for eggs was 47.9 cents per dozen compared with 51.5 cents a year earlier.

## NUMBER OF POULTRY ON FARMS, BY CLASS, INDIANA, DECEMBER 1, 1997-2002

Class of Livestock	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002 <u>1</u> /
		Thousand Head				
All Chickens 2/	27,189	29,357	29,607	28,741	28,958	29,098
Layers on Hand	22,314	22,200	22,936	23,038	22,500	23,018
Layers 1 Year Old and Older	10,238	11,324	10,786	10,453	11,756	12,291
Layers 20 Weeks Old but Less than 1 Year	12,076	10,876	12,150	12,585	10,744	10,727
Pullets not of Laying Age	4,834	7,110	6,607	5,639	6,372	6,018
Pullets 3 Months Old and Older	1,355	1,977	2,214	1,686	3,582	2,393
Pullets Under 3 Months	3,479	5,133	4,393	3,953	2,790	3,625
Other Chickens	41	47	64	64	86	62

## NUMBER AND VALUE OF POULTRY ON FARMS INDIANA, DECEMBER 1, 1997-2002

INDIANA, DECEMBER 1, 1997 2002							
December 1	All Chickens Excluding Commercial Broilers	Average Value Per Head	Total Value				
	Thousand Head	<u>Dollars</u>	Thousand Dollars				
1997	27,189	1.70	46,221				
1998	29,357	1.60	46,971				
1999	29,607	1.50	44,411				
2000	28,741	.99	28,454				
2001	28,958	1.30	37,645				
2002 <u>1</u> /	29,098	1.10	32,008				
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